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# PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

**2007**

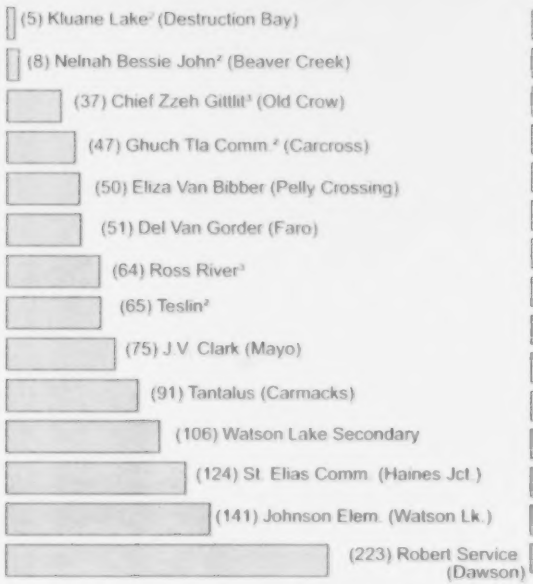
Student enrollment in Yukon public schools (Kindergarten through Grade 12) has changed over the past ten years. Grade reorganization was implemented in 1996/1997, changing from a three-tier system to a two-tier one. The reorganization was completed with the end of the 1998/1999 school year. This publication offers a brief summary of enrollment and graduation figures in the Yukon over a ten-year period, based on information received from the Yukon Department of Education. Please refer to footnotes at the end of this publication while using the data.

## Enrollment by School, May 2007

As of May 31st, 2007 there were 4,994 students enrolled in the Yukon public school system[6]. This figure represents a decrease of 55 students, or 1.0%, from the total enrollment as of May 31, 2006, and a decrease of 1,160 students, or 18.8%, compared to 1997 enrollment figures.

Enrollment in English school programs decreased 1,208 students (21.6%) from May 1997 to May 2007. French Immersion program enrollment increased 2.9% (13 students) from May 1997 to May 2007, and École Émilie-Tremblay (French first language) showed an increase of 35 students (31.3%) over the same time period.

### Rural Schools [1]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(8) Nelnah Bessie John[2] (Beaver Creek)
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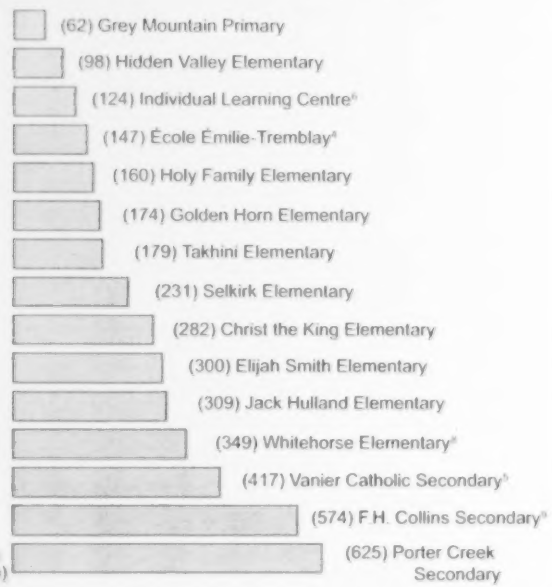
### Whitehorse Schools



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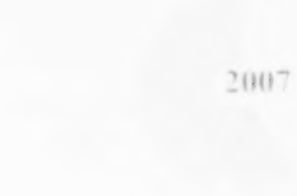


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| | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kindergarten | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 1 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 2 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 3 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 4 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 5 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 6 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 7 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 8 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 9 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 10 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 11 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Grade 12 | 511 | 511 | 488 | 487 | 488 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 | 466 |
| Total | 6,154 | 6,086 | 5,921 | 5,751 | 5,579 | 5,432 | 5,466 | 5,371 | 5,257 | 5,049 | 4,994 |

Of the 4,994 students enrolled in Yukon schools[1] as of May 2007:

- 1,621 (32.5%) students were Aboriginal[2] and 3,370 (67.5%) were non-Aboriginal[3].
- 859 (17.2%) students were enrolled in Catholic schools and 4,135 (82.8%) were enrolled in Public schools.
- 51.6% (2,577) were male and 48.4% (2,417) were female.
- Elementary students comprised 59.2% (2,956) of all students, while Secondary students made up 40.8% (2,038).

## Enrollment Breakdown for Yukon, May 2007

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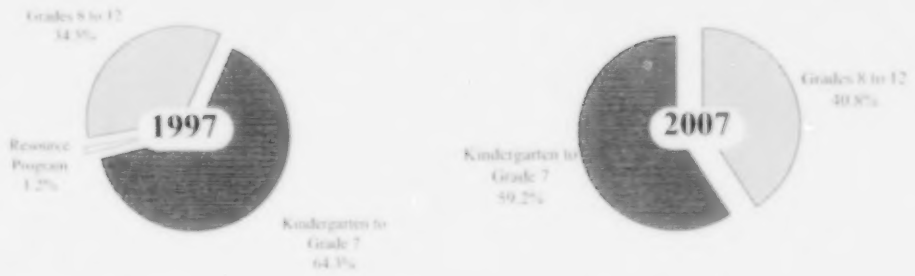


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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RP | 75 | 61 | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| K[10] | 534 | 473 | 454 | 421 | 387 | 426 | 415 | 394 | 381 | 374 | 374 |
| Grade 1 | 513 | 507 | 430 | 429 | 404 | 364 | 393 | 379 | 345 | 341 | 348 |
| 2 | 477 | 495 | 482 | 421 | 409 | 397 | 358 | 386 | 368 | 350 | 342 |
| 3 | 508 | 459 | 482 | 457 | 404 | 396 | 408 | 361 | 388 | 370 | 350 |
| 4 | 453 | 505 | 436 | 492 | 455 | 414 | 414 | 407 | 361 | 385 | 366 |
| 5 | 480 | 457 | 491 | 438 | 481 | 454 | 410 | 416 | 421 | 352 | 386 |
| 6 | 498 | 466 | 455 | 482 | 415 | 471 | 453 | 405 | 419 | 421 | 362 |
| 7 | 494 | 472 | 460 | 452 | 479 | 410 | 485 | 469 | 424 | 415 | 428 |
| 8 | 529 | 474 | 473 | 458 | 442 | 460 | 407 | 481 | 479 | 420 | 409 |
| 9 (r) | 430 | 481 | 456 | 454 | 457 | 419 | 446 | 396 | 468 | 458 | 434 |
| 10 (r) | 446 | 419 | 453 | 429 | 437 | 434 | 407 | 445 | 387 | 448 | 446 |
| 11 (r) | 389 | 483 | 453 | 452 | 439 | 423 | 448 | 380 | 403 | 349 | 407 |
| 12 (r) | 328 | 334 | 396 | 366 | 370 | 364 | 422 | 452 | 413 | 366 | 342 |
| **Total** (r) | **6,154** | **6,086** | **5,921** | **5,751** | **5,579** | **5,432** | **5,466** | **5,371** | **5,257**[6] | **5,049**[6] | **4,994**[6] |

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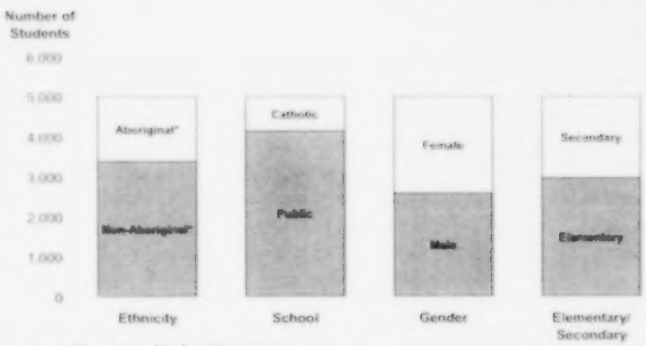


* Denotes self-identification process.

## Graduation Rates

Comparing the 2006/07 school year with the 1996/97 school year the following changes have occurred:

- Students with the "potential to graduate" increased from 201 in 1996/97 to 314 in 2006/07, an increase of 113, or 56.2%.
- The number of graduates increased from 180 in 1996/97 to 294 in 2006/07, an increase of 114, or 63.3%.
- The number of graduates as a percentage of those with the "potential to graduate" increased from 89.6% in 1996/97 to 93.6% in 2006/07, an increase of 4.0 percentage points.

| | Grade 12 Enrollments* | Potential to Graduate** | Graduates | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Number | % of Potential |
| 2006/07 | 342 | 314 | 294 | 93.6% |
| 2005/06(r) | 366 | 325 | 308 | 94.8% |
| 2004/05(r) | 413 | 350 | 332 | 94.9% |
| 2003/04 | 452 | 372 | 324 | 87.1% |
| 2002/03 | 422 | 315 | 280 | 88.9% |
| 2001/02 | 364 | 311 | 279 | 89.7% |
| 2000/01 | 370 | 313 | 283 | 90.4% |
| 1999/00 | 366 | 297 | 260 | 87.5% |
| 1998/99 | 396 | 339 | 296 | 87.3% |
| 1997/98 | 334 | 272 | 246 | 90.4% |
| 1996/97 | 328 | 201 | 180 | 89.6% |
| 1995/96 | 278 | 214 | 181 | 84.6% |

21 students from the Individual Learning Centre also received their high school diploma in 2006/07. This compares to 11 in 2005/06 and 10 in 2004/05. These graduates are not included in the table above.

* Grade 12 enrollment includes students (excluding ILC) who may have previously graduated and returned for additional courses.

** Any Grade 12 student (excluding ILC) who is registered for one or more courses during the school year (who has not already graduated), and who could possibly graduate. Potential graduation is based on final grades for courses finished prior to the next school year, and the assumption that the student will pass all the courses registered for the school year.

## Enrollment by School, May 1997 to May 2007

| | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nelnah Bessie John[7] | 15 | 25 | 19 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 21 | 14 | 11 | 11 | 8 |
| Ghuch Tla Community[7] | 50 | 50 | 56 | 49 | 51 | 56 | 56 | 61 | 63 | 58 | 47 |
| Chief Zzeh Gittit[7] | 60 | 64 | 49 | 66 | 57 | 51 | 47 | 45 | 51 | 41 | 37 |
| Christ the King Elementary | 215 | 246 | 312 | 315 | 298 | 286 | 345 | 338 | 307 | 298 | 282 |
| Del Van Gorder | 215 | 167 | 119 | 76 | 72 | 67 | 55 | 53 | 53 | 51 | 51 |
| École Émilie-Tremblay[7] | 112 | 110 | 107 | 115 | 120 | 124 | 110 | 115 | 119 | 112 | 147 |
| Elijah Smith Elementary | 302 | 250 | 240 | 226 | 211 | 224 | 240 | 247 | 279 | 298 | 300 |
| Eliza Van Bibber | 76 | 79 | 72 | 74 | 65 | 57 | 60 | 71 | 69 | 59 | 50 |
| F.H. Collins Secondary | 683 | 815 | 711 | 606 | 614 | 546 | 544 | 506 | 497 | 429 | 460 |
| F.H. Collins Secondary Imm | 77 | 131 | 120 | 107 | 106 | 94 | 104 | 107 | 90 | 111 | 114 |
| Golden Horn Elementary | 287 | 299 | 284 | 294 | 280 | 256 | 243 | 227 | 213 | 185 | 174 |
| Grey Mountain Primary | 122 | 109 | 94 | 100 | 78 | 84 | 80 | 72 | 65 | 61 | 62 |
| Hidden Valley Elementary | 170 | 171 | 159 | 146 | 142 | 137 | 130 | 125 | 100 | 93 | 98 |
| Holy Family Elementary | 187 | 191 | 181 | 182 | 169 | 172 | 187 | 168 | 163 | 162 | 160 |
| J.V. Clark | 99 | 99 | 101 | 100 | 103 | 95 | 97 | 88 | 81 | 74 | 75 |
| Jack Hulland Elementary | 516 | 497 | 488 | 466 | 431 | 386 | 402 | 372 | 341 | 331 | 309 |
| Johnson Elementary | 170 | 165 | 166 | 175 | 178 | 176 | 172 | 169 | 150 | 139 | 141 |
| Kluane Lake[7] | 6 | 6 | 13 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Porter Creek Secondary | 340 | 470 | 603 | 666 | 654 | 689 | 681 | 733 | 724 | 669 | 625 |
| Riverdale Jr Secondary[7] | 253 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Riverdale Jr Secondary Imm[7] | 63 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Robert Service | 284 | 291 | 268 | 263 | 221 | 229 | 224 | 233 | 238 | 234 | 223 |
| Ross River[7] | 84 | 78 | 75 | 73 | 55 | 61 | 65 | 67 | 73 | 73 | 64 |
| Selkirk Elementary | 327 | 301 | 260 | 252 | 236 | 235 | 229 | 222 | 229 | 247 | 231 |
| St. Elias Community | 168 | 168 | 159 | 143 | 148 | 147 | 148 | 132 | 130 | 119 | 124 |
| Takhini Elementary | 247 | 225 | 221 | 223 | 223 | 216 | 206 | 197 | 168 | 163 | 179 |
| Tantalus | 102 | 99 | 101 | 95 | 101 | 102 | 102 | 86 | 103 | 94 | 91 |
| Teslin[7] | 54 | 51 | 54 | 50 | 54 | 67 | 66 | 66 | 67 | 61 | 65 |
| Vanier Catholic Secondary[7] | 284 | 388 | 427 | 441 | 463 | 448 | 402 | 402 | 405 | 415 | 417 |
| Watson Lake High | 98 | 94 | 93 | 98 | 89 | 88 | 97 | 99 | 106 | 110 | 106 |
| Whitehorse Elementary[8] | 178 | 147 | 104 | 81 | 85 | 72 | 79 | 78 | 54 | 17 | - |
| Whitehorse Elementary Imm[8] | 310 | 300 | 265 | 246 | 248 | 239 | 268 | 270 | 301 | 327 | 349 |
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| Individual Learning Centre[5] | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 83 | 99 | 124 |

## Definitions and Notes

| | |
|---|---|
| Three-tiered | The three-tiered education system consisted of elementary (Kindergarten to Grade 6), junior high (Grades 7, 8 and 9), and senior high (Grades 10, 11 and 12). |
| Two-tiered | The two-tiered system is comprised of elementary schools covering Kindergarten through Grade 7 and secondary schools teaching Grades 8 through 12. |
| Primary | Offers Kindergarten through Grade 3. |
| Elementary | Offers Kindergarten through Grade 7. |
| Secondary | Offers Grade 8 through Grade 12. |
| RP | Resource Program. This program was available for students with special needs. |
| Imm. | French Immersion Program. |

When using data contained in this publication it is important to note that, prior to the 1996/1997 school year, information was gathered from a variety of sources and systems. With the beginning of the 1996/1997 school year, the Student Information Management System (SIMS) was launched in order to electronically capture school-based information in a standardized format.

## Footnotes

1 Unless otherwise stated by footnote, rural schools offer Kindergarten through Grade 12.

2 School offers kindergarten through Grade 9.

3 School offers kindergarten through Grade 10.

4 French first language school. A student's eligibility for enrollment is determined by Section 23 of *The Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

5 School was renamed for the 1997/98 school year from Christ the King Junior Secondary to Vanier Catholic Secondary. At that time, they also moved into the Riverdale Junior Secondary facility. As of the 2001/02 school year, Grade 7 was moved to the elementary schools and Vanier now offers Grade 8 through 12.

6 The Individual Learning Centre (ILC) opened in February 2005 in downtown Whitehorse for students who have dropped out and want to go back to a non-conventional school and learn at their own pace, and complete and graduate from high school. Revised 2005 and 2006, as well as 2007 total enrollment figures do not include students enrolled at the ILC.

7 Riverdale Junior Secondary school students merged with F.H. Collins at the end of the 1996/97 school year.

8 Whitehorse Elementary discontinued the English program and offered French Immersion Program only as of September 2006.

9 Includes English and French Immersion students.

10 Includes Kindergarten as well as K-4 (kindergarten for 4 year-olds).

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